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p	preliminary figures
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x	confidential
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(I) POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

Table 1 - POPULATION

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	660,700	673,800	684,200	692,700
April	663,300	675,900	685,900	694,100
June	665,200	677,300	687,000	695,000
July	666,200	678,300	687,600	695,600
October	670,800	681,600	690,600	697,600
(Oct./Oct.)	(+1.8)	(+1.6)	(+1.3)	(+1.0)

Source: Statistics Canada 91-001.

Table 2 - MARRIAGES
(number)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	150	169		
February	208	215	(490)	(450)
March	259	245		
April	308	304		
May	597	528	(1,740)	(1,660)
June	722	672		
July	851	1,014		
August	1,043	788	(2,440)	(2,400)
September	536	627		
October	553	545		
November	391	323	(1,190)	
December	327	324		
Total	5,945	5,754	5,275[1]	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	-2.7	-3.2	-8.3	(-3.4)

[1] Annual total contains revisions not shown in quarterly data.
Sources: Statistics Canada 11-003 & 84-205.

Table 3 - BIRTHS
(number)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	958	944		
February	923	917	(3,130)	(2,820)
March	958	1,084		
April	1,042	982		
May	1,050	1,015	(3,290)	(3,110)
June	979	1,026		
July	1,034	998		
August	985	991	(3,130)	(2,980)
September	1,023	1,028		
October	967	1,005		
November	893	930	(2,680)	
December	977	891		
Total	11,789	11,811	11,515[1]	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	+3.0	+0.2	-2.5	(-6.7)

[1]Annual total contains revisions not shown in quarterly data.
Sources: Statistics Canada 11-003 & 84-204.

Table 4 - DEATHS
(number)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	454	438		
February	477	448	(1,400)	(1,490)
March	468	475		
April	426	459		
May	382	453	(1,370)	(1,300)
June	388	395		
July	434	383		
August	415	418	(1,310)	(1,370)
September	401	385		
October	410	468		
November	441	440	(1,220)	
December	454	440		
Total	5,150	5,202	5,165[1]	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	-1.1	+1.0	-0.7	(+2.0)

[1]Annual total contains revisions not shown in quarterly data.
Sources: Statistics Canada 11-003 & 84-206.

(II) LABOUR

Table 5 - TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	137.3	157.7	175.0	186.6
February	135.9	158.5	173.8	187.5
March	140.1	163.4	181.1	189.0
April	143.5	164.8	177.8	191.1
May	161.1	172.4	184.9	203.3
June	163.0	182.3	197.2	217.2
July	167.8	185.3	200.6	216.8
August	170.4	183.7	200.3	214.1
September	170.8	187.3	199.2	217.7
October	168.9	180.6	197.2	219.6
November	165.1	181.0	193.7	
December	158.6	181.3	192.5	
Total	1,882.6	2,098.2	2,273.2	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+22.4	+11.5	+8.3	(+8.3)

Source: Statistics Canada 72-005.

Table 6 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES AND SALARIES[1]
(dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	174.41	194.95	223.55	230.29
February	174.97	197.58	223.62	230.33
March	180.45	201.01	224.90	231.35
April	181.24	199.68	223.39	227.71
May	179.41	196.58	218.51	228.43
June	179.75	200.71	220.11	230.48
July	182.15	202.22	221.75	229.38
August	182.39	202.49	220.70	231.78
September	184.42	204.41	224.71	230.94
October	190.37	208.24	226.61	236.53
November	190.58	211.38	226.96	
December	188.69	211.47	225.29	
Average	182.40	202.56	223.34	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+18.0	+11.0	+10.3	(+3.6)

[1]Covers only firms with 20 or more employees.
Source: Statistics Canada 72-002.

Table 7 - EMPLOYMENT INDEX[1]
(1961 = 100)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	127.1	126.7	122.2	122.6
February	125.1	124.9	120.8	122.8
March	125.3	126.3	120.7	123.2
April	127.5	127.7	122.5	124.6
May	137.8	137.2	131.3	137.2
June	145.4	144.1	140.9	144.7
July	147.5	144.4	141.8	145.5
August	149.0	146.5	141.1	144.3
September	148.3	143.2	138.5	144.7
October	138.1	137.3	134.6	142.0
November	133.7	133.9	132.0	
December	128.4	128.2	126.9	
Average	136.1	135.0	131.1	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+1.3	-0.8	-3.0	(+2.8)

[1]Covers only firms with 20 or more employees.
Source: Statistics Canada 72-002.

Table 8 - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS PAYMENTS
(thousand dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	15,800	17,178	22,153	29,555
February	14,214	17,715	20,888	26,063
March	14,905	22,366	24,701	26,443
April	18,361	17,907	21,771	25,345
May	14,353	17,019	23,157	27,053
June	10,850	13,299	15,156	16,974
July	11,209	10,610	12,770	15,131
August	8,742	12,721	14,989	15,981
September	9,432	10,004	11,928	12,998
October	8,180	10,017	14,817	
November	10,052	15,389	17,963	
December	15,761	16,919	20,442	
Total	151,860	181,144	220,734	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	+44.7	+19.3	+21.9	(+16.7)

Source: Statistics Canada 73-001.

Table 9 - LABOUR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
(thousands)

Month	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978
January	245	248	259	215	212	223	30	37	36	12.2	14.7	14.0
February	245	248	260	215	210	220	31	37	40	12.6	15.1	15.3
March	242	250	262	212	210	222	31	41	40	12.6	16.2	15.2
April	248	250	264	215	212	221	33	38	43	13.2	15.2	16.3
May	264	269	283	231	232	244	32	36	38	12.2	13.6	13.6
June	273	278	290	245	245	259	29	33	31	10.4	11.8	10.7
July	280	292	304	252	257	268	28	35	36	10.0	12.0	12.0
August	282	292	301	256	258	266	26	34	35	9.3	11.6	11.6
September	271	277	291	245	246	260	26	31	31	9.4	11.3	10.6
October	266	276	288	240	243	258	26	34	31	9.6	12.1	10.7
November	260	270	283	232	233	252	27	36	31	10.6	13.5	11.1
December	255	266	276	225	228	243	30	38	33	11.8	14.2	12.1
Average	261	268	280	232	232	245	29	36	35	11.1	13.4	12.8
% Change	+2.8	+2.7	+4.5	+1.3	0.0	+5.6	+16.0	+24.1	-2.8			

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.

(III) PRIMARY INDUSTRY

Table 10 - FARM CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARMING OPERATIONS
(thousand dollars)

Quarter	1975	1976	1977	1978
1st Quarter	19,550	30,507	29,394	25,685
2nd Quarter	21,680	29,470	28,683	30,663
3rd Quarter	25,292	23,876	25,087	27,578
4th Quarter	33,521	29,029	26,053	
Total	100,043	112,882	109,217	
% Change (1Q-3Q)	-3.1	+12.8	-3.2	(+0.7)

Sources: Statistics Canada 21-001 & 21-201.

Table 11 - SOURCES OF FARM CASH RECEIPTS
(thousand dollars)
(Jan.-Sept.)

	1977	1978
Oats	228	164
Potatoes	26,347	18,588
Fruits	2,490	3,001
Vegetables	2,507	2,795
Other Crops	3,092	2,938
Total Crops	34,664	27,486
Cattle and Calves	6,960	11,397
Hogs	4,498	4,722
Sheep and Lambs	79	142
Dairy Products	17,223	18,644
Poultry	9,874	9,423
Eggs	5,366	4,862
Other Livestock and Products	815	911
Total Livestock and Products	44,815	50,101
Forest and Maple Products	2,182	2,510
Other Payments	1,361	1,605
Deficiency Payments	345	2,224
Total Cash Receipts	83,367	83,926

Source: Statistics Canada 21-001.

Table 12 - PULPWOOD PRODUCTION - DOMESTIC USE
(thousand cunits)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	185.7	80.6	136.0	115.0
February	147.6	63.3	107.1	112.6
March	99.8	125.2	87.5	120.9
April	60.0	73.4	64.3	82.0
May	59.5	80.4	99.8	123.5
June	187.1	208.6	192.7	224.7
July	319.9	245.9	285.3	240.9
August	222.3	220.9	263.0	197.2
September	251.1	258.6	266.2	235.2
October	225.5	204.6	173.6	271.4
November	157.6	202.6	248.6	
December	97.2	137.0	159.3	
Total	2,013.3	1,901.1	2,083.4	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	-20.7	-5.6	+9.6	(+2.9)

Source: Statistics Canada 25-001.

Table 13 - COAL PRODUCTION
(thousand tons)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	34.3	48.9	28.0	34.0
February	40.8	40.8	36.2	28.4
March	35.0	31.1	32.3	26.4
April	49.8	41.3	35.4	30.6
May	41.6	53.2	18.6	16.8
June	38.9	46.6	30.1	21.3
July	34.2	37.9	28.8	25.1
August	40.3	37.1	32.8	36.1
September	45.6	33.6	30.2	29.2
October	38.6	29.0	27.1	
November	26.9	42.0	27.0	
December	40.0	32.3	18.2	
Total	465.8	474.0	344.7	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	+12.2	+1.8	-27.3	(-9.0)

Source: Department of Natural Resources, Mines Branch.

Table 14 - VOLUME OF SEA FISH LANDINGS BY SPECIES
(metric tonnes)
(Jan.-Sept.)

Species	1977	1978
Groundfish, Total	14,061	7,740
Cod	4,830	3,788
Redfish	4,449	1,817
Flounders & Soles	3,376	1,289
Other	1,406	846
Pelagic & Estuarial, Total	73,424	37,216
Herring	59,886	27,411
Tuna	5,498	1,316
Other	8,040	8,489
Molluscs & Crustaceans, Total	13,436	8,997
Lobster	2,937	2,463
Crabs	7,380	3,476
Shrimp	1,034	963
Other	2,085	2,095
Viscera	261	188
Total Sea Fish Landings	101,182	54,141

Source: Statistics Canada 24-002.

Table 15 - VALUE OF SEA FISH LANDINGS BY SPECIES
(thousand dollars)
(Jan.-Sept.)

Species	1977	1978
Groundfish, Total	2,924	1,932
Cod	1,226	1,110
Redfish	817	379
Flounders & Soles	620	271
Other	261	172
Pelagic & Estuarial, Total	11,612	6,480
Herring	6,171	4,088
Tuna	4,336	1,124
Other	1,105	1,268
Molluscs & Crustaceans, Total	13,455	12,321
Lobster	7,870	8,433
Crabs	4,151	2,146
Shrimp	660	734
Other	774	1,008
Viscera	58	43
Total Sea Fish Landings	28,049	20,776

Source: Statistics Canada 24-002.

Table 16 - VOLUME OF MINERAL PRODUCTION
(tons)

Mineral	1977	1978
Copper	13,246	11,806
Silver	153	180
Lead	61,206	78,128
Zinc	207,452	189,162
Peat Moss	114,314	118,000
Coal	305,924	310,000
Sand and Gravel	5,928,376	6,000,000
Stone	3,407,977	3,500,000

Table 17 - VALUE OF MINERAL PRODUCTION
(thousand dollars)

Mineral	1977	1978
Metals	238,583	250,329
Copper	18,414	17,570
Silver	24,041	35,429
Lead	38,538	57,539
Zinc	147,420	131,494
Others	10,170	8,297
Non-Metallics	10,038	10,371
Gypsum	376	379
Peat Moss	8,447	8,732
Quartz	250	105
Sulphur	965	1,155
Fuels	6,334	8,538
Coal	6,250	8,450
Natural Gas	43	42
Petroleum-Crude	41	46
Structural Materials	34,439	37,016
Clay Products	1,894	2,306
Cement	14,712	15,794
Lime	2,151	2,166
Sand and Gravel	6,141	6,600
Stone	9,542	10,150
Total	289,394	306,254

(IV) MANUFACTURING

Table 18 - GROSS VALUE OF MANUFACTURING SHIPMENTS
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	130.6	137.3	153.3	162.5
February	127.2	130.7	172.0	156.3
March	137.9	154.3	185.8	184.4
April	133.4	157.4	168.6	181.6
May	148.4	164.5	182.0	232.1
June	140.6	166.6	195.8	224.2
July	133.8	154.7	176.2	207.1
August	142.3	157.9	172.9	226.2
September	142.0	159.9	197.3	245.5
October	144.8	148.9	166.6	238.2
November	144.9	160.0	179.1	
December	143.5	166.1	187.0	
Total	1,669.4	1,858.3	2,136.6	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+5.3	+11.3	+15.0	(+16.2)

Source: Statistics Canada 31-001.

Table 19 - PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTION INDEX
(1953 = 100)

Quarter	1975	1976	1977	1978
Jan.-Mar.	256.3	216.7	253.3	263.3
Apr.-June	258.5	291.3	278.3	265.8
July-Sept.	246.8	278.1	237.8	254.1
Oct.-Dec.	203.2	271.6	262.1	
Average	241.2	264.4	257.9	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	-17.3	+9.6	-2.5	(+1.8)

Source: Based on data from the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association.

Table 20 - SAWN LUMBER PRODUCTION
(million feet board measure)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	14.4	17.2	24.6	22.6
February	16.5	22.0	23.4	26.5
March	18.0	26.1	24.3	31.3
April	19.3	26.9	24.2	30.9
May	23.6	27.4	22.2	32.7
June	21.3	26.7	24.3	33.9
July	22.0	23.1	19.9	28.7
August	23.7	30.5	23.9	35.5
September	23.4	34.2	26.3	36.5
October	29.4	31.6	34.0	
November	22.4	30.5	33.9	
December	22.3	24.6	26.9	
Total	256.3	320.8	307.9	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	-17.5	+25.2	-4.0	(+30.7)

Sources: Statistics Canada 35-002 & 11-003.

(V) UTILITIES

Table 21 - NET ELECTRIC ENERGY USED
(million kilowatt hours)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	638	668	818	783
February	588	611	694	732
March	642	674	730	762
April	548	611	685	677
May	535	579	631	647
June	491	556	584	586
July	481	541	507	555
August	483	547	568	595
September	495	557	560	595
October	552	642	676	
November	542	744	681	
December	644	790	782	
Total	6,637	7,521	7,916	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	+5.0	+13.3	+5.3	(+2.7)

Source: Statistics Canada 57-001.

Table 22 - NET ELECTRICITY PROVIDED BY NBEPC FOR CONSUMPTION
(million kilowatt hours)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	553	561	695	736
February	506	547	621	644
March	523	570	621	668
April	470	520	564	589
May	450	486	552	556
June	427	458	509	523
July	419	440	438	497
August	435	478	503	522
September	422	504	491	514
October	476	550	575	602
November	463	591	580	641
December	564	681	669	
Total	5,708	6,350[1]	6,818	
% Change (Jan.-Nov.)	+4.6	+11.2	+7.4	(+5.6)

[1] Annual total contains revisions not shown in monthly data.
Source: The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.

Table 23 - LONG DISTANCE CALLS ORIGINATING IN NEW BRUNSWICK
(thousands)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	1,793	2,019	2,150	2,324
February	1,687	1,994	2,027	2,163
March	1,883	2,166	2,310	2,445
April	1,997	2,104	2,178	2,392
May	2,050	2,162	2,384	2,652
June	2,075	2,293	2,478	2,710
July	2,220	2,227	2,370	2,623
August	2,135	2,303	2,563	2,861
September	2,128	2,223	2,417	2,657
October	2,223	2,220	2,369	2,841
November	2,117	2,218	2,361	2,713
December	2,186	2,251	2,346	
Total	24,495	26,180	27,953	
% Change (Jan.-Nov.)	+19.4	+6.9	+6.8	(+10.8)

Source: The New Brunswick Telephone Company Limited.

Table 24 - TELEPHONES IN SERVICE
(thousands)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	303	322	333	344
February	305	322	334	345
March	306	323	335	346
April	308	323	335	347
May	309	324	336	348
June	311	324	337	349
July	312	325	337	351
August	313	326	338	352
September	315	329	340	354
October	317	330	341	356
November	319	331	342	357
December	321	332	343	
Average	312	326	338	
% Change (Nov./Nov.)	+7.2	+4.5	+3.7	(+4.4)

Source: The New Brunswick Telephone Company Limited.

(VI) CONSTRUCTION

Table 25 - HOUSING STARTS AND HOUSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION
(all areas)
(number)

Quarter	1975	1976	1977	1978
(A) Starts				
1st Quarter	284	466	206	567
2nd Quarter	2,415	3,113	1,540	1,692
3rd Quarter	2,477	2,202	1,743	1,802
4th Quarter	1,807	991	819	
Total	6,983	6,772	4,308	
% Change (Jan.-Sept.)	+19.1	-3.0	-36.4	(+16.4)
(B) Under Construction				
March 31	2,798	3,504	2,440	1,845
June 30	3,990	4,776	2,852	2,642
September 30	4,842	5,368	3,567	2,830
December 31	4,463	3,873	2,709	
% Change (Sept./Sept.)	(+9.7)	(+10.9)	(-33.6)	(-20.7)

Source: Statistics Canada 64-002.

Table 26 - BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED[1]
(thousand dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	11,592	8,816	4,767	3,270
February	15,449	10,157	7,667	9,692
March	5,516	11,111	5,647	10,545
April	14,071	40,218	14,400	16,958
May	26,995	29,662	25,623	38,822
June	20,466	25,944	22,823	28,409
July	31,410	28,946	13,280	30,486
August	23,197	22,860	23,793	15,386
September	21,851	19,998	14,819	20,911
October	24,259	26,091	11,929	12,112
November	17,986	18,185	21,020	
December	19,005	9,352	12,469	
Total	231,797	251,340	178,237	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+38.3	+8.4	-29.1	(+28.9)

[1]Does not cover engineering projects (roads, bridges, dams, etc.) nor non-urban construction.
Source: Statistics Canada 64-001.

(VII) TRADE AND FINANCE

Table 27 - VALUE OF RETAIL TRADE
(thousand dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	84,397	95,643	99,441	107,281
February	84,222	96,166	98,947	110,340
March	94,835	110,244	116,859	131,338
April	103,993	128,904	130,566	138,367
May	119,825	128,997	134,339	155,646
June	115,314	135,927	138,014	160,242
July	119,551	133,837	136,892	149,472
August	117,066	122,975	133,258	150,041
September	110,784	123,319	127,230	163,458
October	121,448	131,985	136,460	142,411
November	120,568	129,392	142,365	
December	146,337	157,272	170,176	
Total	1,338,340	1,494,661	1,564,547	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+17.3	+11.7	+4.7	(+12.5)

Source: Statistics Canada 63-005.

Table 28 - CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (SAINT JOHN)[1]
(1971 = 100)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	134.1	147.1	155.0	168.5
February	135.1	147.6	156.9	169.7
March	136.2	148.4	158.9	171.2
April	136.9	149.1	160.2	172.3
May	138.4	150.2	161.1	173.2
June	139.9	150.8	162.0	174.5
July	142.3	151.4	163.0	177.1
August	145.2	152.0	164.2	177.7
September	144.9	152.8	165.5	178.1
October	145.3	153.0	166.1	179.9
November	146.3	153.9	167.3	181.2
December	146.8	154.9	168.3	
Average Index	141.0	150.9	162.4	
% Change (Nov./Nov.)	+11.5	+7.0	+7.6	(+8.3)

[1] Revised to 1971 using new weights based on 1974 family expenditures. (re catalogue 62-546 for concepts and procedures).
Source: Statistics Canada 62-001.

Table 29 - VALUE OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES
(thousand dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	8,659	10,261	12,357	13,786
February	11,077	13,756	14,259	16,235
March	15,111	19,186	20,686	21,284
April	18,816	22,355	21,423	27,487
May	19,528	21,205	24,516	31,336
June	21,427	22,121	23,746	27,680
July	16,876	17,758	16,642	22,403
August	14,362	14,855	16,407	20,908
September	12,444	12,183	13,713	21,607
October	17,586	22,381	20,011	18,638
November	15,026	14,982	18,414	
December	14,208	12,180	11,440	
Total	185,120	203,223	213,614	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+15.7	+9.8	+5.1	(+20.5)

Source: Statistics Canada 63-007.

Table 30 - NUMBER OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
All Vehicles				
January	1,762	1,721	2,058	2,135
February	2,229	2,369	2,383	2,526
March	2,933	3,435	3,408	3,276
April	3,688	3,963	3,664	4,224
May	3,829	3,727	4,123	4,583
June	3,890	3,807	3,915	4,145
July	3,203	3,066	2,910	3,395
August	2,689	2,596	2,668	3,089
September	2,297	2,085	2,195	3,120
October	3,211	3,753	3,242	2,563
November	2,726	2,471	2,797	
December	2,562	2,012	1,833	
Total	35,019	35,005	35,195	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	-0.2	0.0	+0.5	(+8.1)

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Table 30 - (CONTINUED)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
Passenger Vehicles				
January	1,235	1,188	1,429	1,414
February	1,680	1,758	1,736	1,835
March	2,098	2,592	2,442	2,390
April	2,749	2,967	2,786	3,022
May	2,912	2,841	3,067	3,285
June	2,868	2,749	2,901	2,900
July	2,374	2,234	2,123	2,471
August	1,958	1,890	1,856	2,166
September	1,656	1,550	1,546	2,136
October	2,370	2,624	2,207	1,697
November	1,958	1,716	1,973	
December	1,888	1,426	1,242	
Total	25,746	25,535	25,308	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	-1.4	-0.8	-0.9	(+5.5)
Commercial Vehicles				
January	527	533	629	721
February	549	611	646	691
March	835	843	966	886
April	939	996	878	1,202
May	917	886	1,056	1,298
June	1,022	1,058	1,014	1,245
July	829	832	787	924
August	731	706	812	923
September	641	535	649	984
October	841	1,129	1,035	866
November	768	755	824	
December	674	586	591	
Total	9,273	9,470	9,887	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+3.4	+2.1	+4.4	(+15.0)

Source: Statistics Canada 63-007.

Table 31 - LIFE INSURANCE SALES
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	23.8	31.2	29.4	34.8
February	26.3	37.0	40.5	41.0
March	25.9	40.4	46.0	52.7
April	32.6	33.8	32.3	46.7
May	30.8	37.7	39.1	46.5
June	36.4	38.6	42.4	55.5
July	35.0	31.0	36.3	41.5
August	28.3	36.0	39.1	44.1
September	36.5	34.2	43.1	
October	40.4	36.7	47.2	
November	36.9	43.6	51.9	
December	44.1	45.5	55.6	
Total	394.6[1]	444.9[1]	502.9	
% Change (Jan.-Aug.)	+15.3	+12.7	+13.0	(+18.9)

[1]Annual total contains revisions not shown in monthly data.
Source: Statistics Canada 11-003.

Table 32 - CHEQUES CASHED IN CLEARING HOUSES
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	1,293.0	1,508.0	1,216.4	1,396.7
February	1,113.1	1,487.2	1,170.6	1,210.7
March	1,257.4	1,616.0	1,367.0	1,476.9
April	1,226.0	1,569.0	1,361.6	1,449.8
May	1,468.5	1,682.1	1,420.3	1,458.7
June	1,563.6	1,638.9	1,452.1	1,577.9
July	1,388.1	1,318.6	1,548.3	1,761.3
August	1,205.5	1,318.7	1,565.1	1,441.5
September	1,499.9	1,342.5	1,345.5	1,467.1
October	1,587.3	1,358.2	1,489.1	1,616.9
November	1,535.5	1,360.6	1,528.0	
December	1,568.6	1,397.6	1,590.4	
Total	16,706.6	17,597.4	17,054.5	
% Change (Jan.-Oct.)	+37.3	+5.3	-3.0	(+6.6)

Source: Statistics Canada 61-001.

(VIII) TRANSPORTATION

Table 33 - TOTAL PORT TRAFFIC - SAINT JOHN HARBOUR
(thousand cargo tons)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	432.4	548.1	655.4	813.9
February	512.2	451.1	481.2	832.3
March	502.8	507.7	842.0	1,166.7
April	480.8	577.2	778.9	909.0
May	583.6	437.1	635.3	1,038.2
June	395.0	451.0	567.5	1,401.8
July	383.4	456.6	552.6	1,494.3
August	440.4	463.1	782.5[1]	796.3
September	464.9	585.1	751.0	1,350.8
October	482.8	446.3	1,083.9	1,186.8
November	393.6	593.6	838.0	1,619.4
December	322.3	544.6	1,067.2	
Total	5,394.2	6,061.5	9,035.5	
% Change (Jan.-Nov.)	-9.7	+12.4	+49.1	(+58.2)

Source: National Harbours Board, Port of Saint John.

Table 34 - PORT TRAFFIC - SAINT JOHN HARBOUR
(thousand cargo tons)

	Incoming Traffic			Outgoing Traffic		
Month	1977	1978	% Change	1977	1978	% Change
January	134.0	456.7	...	521.0	357.3	-31.4
February	112.6	463.0	...	368.5	368.3	+ 0.2
March	159.3	675.5	...	682.8	491.2	-28.1
April	153.6	408.3	...	625.3	500.8	-19.9
May	150.6	440.1	...	484.7	598.1	+23.4
June	105.1	997.2	...	462.3	404.6	-12.5
July	140.1	957.4	...	412.5	537.0	+30.2
August	446.2[1]	309.1	-30.7	336.3	487.2	+44.9
September	402.4	793.7	+97.2	348.6	557.1	+59.8
October	748.9	786.1	+ 5.0	335.0	400.8	+19.6
November	481.9	990.2	+105.5	356.1	629.2	+76.7
December	672.4			394.8		
Total	3,707.1			5,327.9		
% Change (Jan.-Nov.)	+161.6	(+139.8)		+14.7	(+8.1)	

[1] Includes "Canaport" tonnage effective Aug. 10/77 coincidental with expansion of Harbour limits.
Source: National Harbours Board, Port of Saint John.

(IX) SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Table 35 - EMPLOYMENT INDEX
(1961 = 100)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	136.3	135.7	131.3	131.8
February	136.0	136.0	131.5	133.7
March	135.2	136.6	130.6	133.4
April	136.4	136.6	131.0	133.3
May	136.9	136.3	130.4	136.2
June	136.2	134.9	131.9	135.5
July	136.9	133.9	131.5	134.9
August	137.6	135.2	130.1	133.0
September	140.3	135.3	130.7	136.5
October	134.6	133.9	131.4	138.6
November	132.4	132.8	130.8	
December	133.5	133.3	131.5	

Source: Statistics Canada 72-002.

Table 36 - TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	143.5	164.8	183.0	194.6
February	144.2	168.2	184.4	198.5
March	147.7	171.8	190.1	197.8
April	150.8	172.8	186.3	198.8
May	162.0	173.3	185.9	204.3
June	155.2	173.5	187.8	206.7
July	158.9	175.4	189.9	204.8
August	161.9	174.1	189.8	203.8
September	163.7	179.3	190.6	208.3
October	165.4	176.8	193.1	215.5
November	165.0	180.8	193.6	
December	164.3	187.5	198.9	

Source: Statistics Canada 72-005.

Table 37 - VALUE OF RETAIL TRADE
(million dollars)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	105.7	118.5	128.3	139.8
February	109.1	122.4	126.6	141.1
March	103.5	119.2	126.5	139.8
April	104.1	126.7	127.6	140.9
May	107.7	121.2	127.8	144.5
June	108.1	125.2	127.0	145.5
July	113.3	123.7	130.0	143.8
August	114.7	123.3	130.2	146.3
September	114.3	127.0	129.1	165.0
October	114.7	127.0	133.5	140.8
November	117.5	124.4	136.8	
December	121.9	128.1	137.4	

Sources: Statistics Canada 11-003 & 63-005.

Table 38 - LABOUR FORCE
(thousands)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	245	262	265	275
February	246	261	262	276
March	250	260	267	279
April	248	261	263	278
May	256	258	264	278
June	257	262	266	276
July	255	260	272	280
August	255	260	270	279
September	256	262	268	282
October	258	260	272	283
November	258	262	272	286
December	261	262	272	284

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.

Table 39 - LABOUR FORCE EMPLOYED
(thousands)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	223	233	230	240
February	223	233	228	239
March	227	231	229	242
April	225	232	229	239
May	230	229	231	242
June	231	232	232	244
July	228	232	237	244
August	230	231	233	241
September	231	232	233	246
October	231	231	234	248
November	230	233	234	252
December	234	232	234	251

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.

Table 40 - LABOUR FORCE UNEMPLOYED
(thousands)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	22	29	35	35
February	23	28	34	37
March	23	29	38	37
April	23	29	34	39
May	26	29	33	36
June	26	30	34	32
July	27	28	35	36
August	25	29	37	38
September	25	30	35	36
October	27	29	38	35
November	28	29	38	34
December	27	30	38	33

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.

Table 41 - LABOUR FORCE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
(per cent)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	9.0	11.1	13.2	12.7
February	9.3	10.7	13.0	13.4
March	9.2	11.2	14.2	13.3
April	9.3	11.1	12.9	14.0
May	10.2	11.2	12.5	12.9
June	10.1	11.5	12.8	11.6
July	10.6	10.8	12.9	12.9
August	9.8	11.2	13.7	13.6
September	9.8	11.5	13.1	12.8
October	10.5	11.2	14.0	12.4
November	10.9	11.1	14.0	11.9
December	10.3	11.5	14.0	11.6

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.

Table 42 - LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE
(per cent)

Month	1975	1976	1977	1978
January	52.6	54.6	53.8	54.6
February	52.7	54.3	53.0	54.7
March	53.4	53.9	53.9	55.1
April	52.9	54.0	53.0	54.8
May	54.5	53.3	53.1	54.7
June	54.6	53.9	53.4	54.3
July	54.0	53.4	54.5	55.0
August	53.8	53.3	54.0	54.7
September	53.9	53.6	53.5	55.2
October	54.2	53.1	54.2	55.4
November	54.1	53.4	54.1	55.9
December	54.6	53.3	54.1	55.4

Source: Statistics Canada 71-001.